REMARKS

The specification has been amended to include the attached Sequence Listing.

The attached paper and computer readable copies of the Sequence Listing are the same. No new matter has been added.

Contrary to the Notification dated January 10, 2005, the undersigned believes that the attached copy of the applicants post card receipt evidences that the paper and computer readable copies of the Sequence Listing were received by the Patent Office on October 15, 2004. As there was no Notice to Comply or other objection to the previously-filed Sequence Listing attached to the attached Notification, the applicants are unclear as to what further may be required other than a further copy of the Sequence Listing.

A new Declaration executed by the inventors is attached. The attached includes the citizenship of each inventor, as required by the attached Notification dated January 10, 2005.

Acceptance of the attached and an early and favorable Action on the merits of the claimed invention are requested.

The specification has been amended, with the Amendment filed October 15, 2004, to include a cross-reference to the parent applications and the abstract.

Claims 1-34 have been canceled, without prejudice. Claims 35-67 have been added, with the Amendment filed October 15, 2004, and are pending. No new matter has been added.

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Acceptance of the drawings with the application on October 15, 2004, or specific objection or rejection of the same, is requested.

Return of an initialed copy of the PTO 1449 Form filed October 15, 2004, pursuant to MPEP § 609, is requested.

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